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A Newsletter of St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church

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St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church

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Worship Hours

Sundays: Orthros 8:15 a.m. followed by Divine Liturgy

Weekdays: Divine Liturgy 8:30 a.m.

Esperinos: For Major Feasts 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 3, 2019

- + St. Basil Super Bash (Super Bowl Sunday) at 4 p.m. at Billy Goat Tavern 1545 W. Madison St., Chicago, IL 60607

Wednesday February 13, 2019

- + Philoptochos Meeting at 6:50 p.m. at St. Basil Philoptochos Hall

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

- + St. Basil Stewardship Focus Group at 7 p.m. at Make Room for Truman, 550 W. Touhy Ave. Park Ridge, IL

Sunday, February 17, 2019

- + Stewardship Appreciation Sunday, immediately following Divine Liturgy in Philoptochos Hall

Sunday, March 3, 2019

- + Apokreatiko Glendi - immediately following Divine Liturgy in Philoptochos Hall

Saturday, March 23, 2019

- + Feed my Starving Children at 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Feed My Starving Children Packing Site 1072 National Parkway, Schaumburg, IL

Sunday, March 31, 2019

- + St. Basil Sunday School - presents St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, immediately following Divine Liturgy

We welcome new families to our parish!

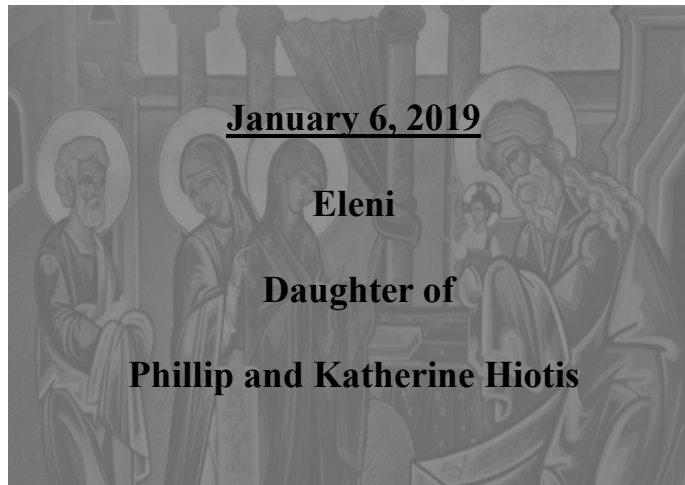
Now is the time to reach out to your loved ones who have fallen away for whatever reason and bring them back to church. Now is the time to share your faith with others. Together we must grow. Together we must build the Body of Christ. Invite someone to a service or to a church event. We have one of the friendliest communities in the Archdiocese. Let us go out so that they will know we are Christians by our love.

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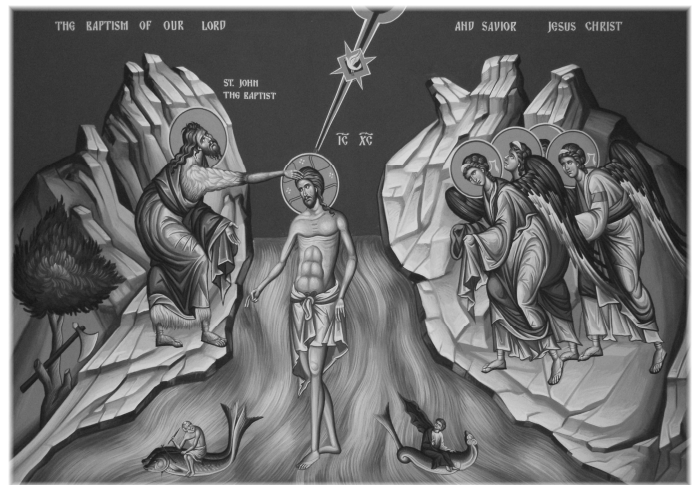
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Sacraments and Blessings

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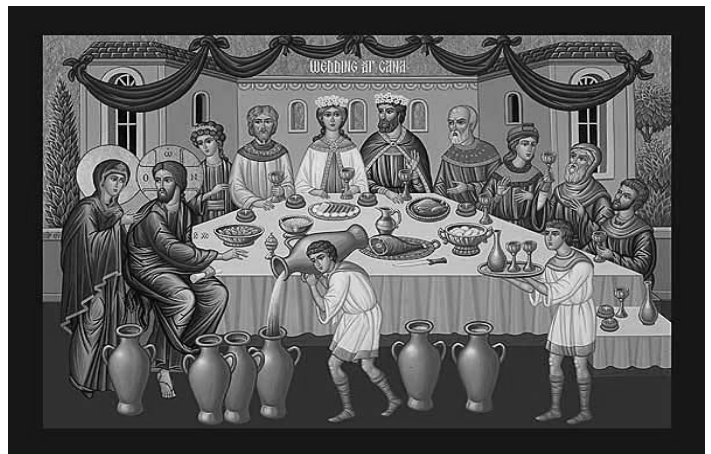
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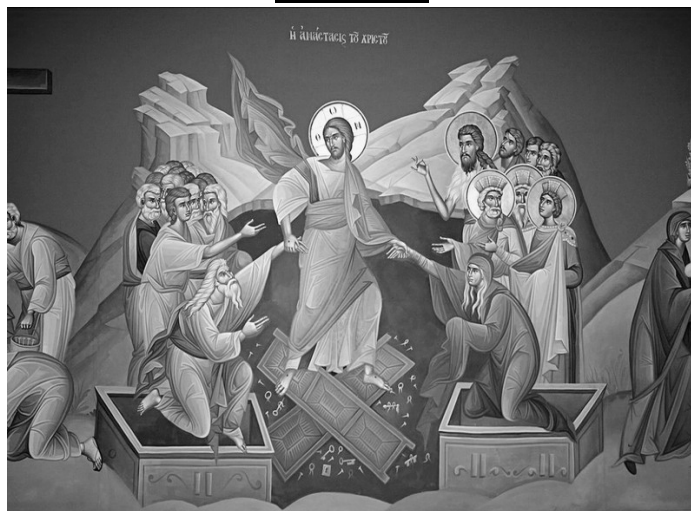
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Weddings:



Funerals:



Father Dimitri's Message



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the month of February we still feel the bite of winter, but have the expectation of spring on the horizon. While this winter has not been as bitter as predicted, it has left its mark in the coldness and the treacherousness of the elements. This danger, which forces us to be careful when driving, should be analogous to our spiritual lives.

In the same way we exercise caution in these scenarios, we should also have a care for our souls. It is perhaps for this very reason that the Church sees the divine necessity of Great Lent and prepares us for it during this Triodion period. If we pay close attention to the thematic Gospels of this period we will notice how our Mother Church encourages and prepares our souls for the journey.



Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee (Feb 17): This Sunday shows us ***HOW WE ARE TO PRAY***. There is a great deal of praying in the time of Great Lent. So how should we be praying? Should we pray to ourselves as the Pharisee or pray for mercy as the Publican? Neither of these men are good, but what Jesus Christ wants us to take note of is their prayers. Our prayer life does not need to be full of empty words. It needs to be sincere and heartfelt.

Sunday of the Prodigal Son (Feb 24): This Sunday shows us ***HOW WE ARE TO REPENT***. One of the most important elements of Lent is repentance. But what does that mean? If we look at the story of the Prodigal Son, we see that he “came to himself” and then declared he would go to his father and declare his sins. We must do the same! We must realize our errors and then come back to the Church, to our Heavenly Father, and declare our sins. Then we too will be welcome back as sons and daughters. Thanks be to God we have the sacrament of Confession to aid us in this journey.





Judgment Sunday (March 3): This Sunday shows us ***HOW WE ARE TO GIVE***. The three tripods of Great Lent are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Almsgiving is the heart of Christianity because we are called to take care of the “least” of God’s children. We must be prepared to give even to those who won’t appreciate it. One of the nasty side effects of fasting when done inappropriately (talk to your priest to do it right) is anger. The Aesthetical Fathers in the *Desert Fathers* teach us that one of the fastest ways to defeat this passion of anger is through giving to others. This can be done by increased stewardship and volunteer work.

Forgiveness Sunday (March 10): This Sunday shows us ***HOW WE ARE TO LIVE***. “If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses” (Matthew 6:14). It’s that simple. If we do not live our lives forgiving even our enemies, we will not enter the Kingdom. It is for this reason, we start Great Lent by forgiving all who have ever wronged us so that we may be clean as we begin the fast.



Let us pay attention during this period and truly listen to the Gospel passages of each of these thematic Sundays. If we do, we will avoid many pitfalls in our journey and we will be adequately prepared for the 40-day journey to Holy Week and the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I remain your servant in Christ,

+ Fr. Dimitry

Fr. Dimitri Tobias, *Proistamenos*

Parish Council Update

By Christine Rousakis

Dear Friends of St. Basil,

We hope that you have had a pleasant winter thus far. Although the Chicago weather has been challenging recently, liturgy attendance has stayed strong. We welcome the new faces we have witnessed in the pews and are happy to have you join us in worship.

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago celebrated Vespers and Divine Liturgy with us on New Year's Eve Monday, December 31, and New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1. We were extremely pleased with the attendance and spirit on both days. We thank Philoptochos for graciously and beautifully hosting the hospitality. Greek Islands kindly provided a sumptuous meal on New Year's Eve. We are grateful.

The second Chicago River blessing took place on Sunday, January 6, and was well attended by almost 100 people. We hope to have this event take place annually.

The parish Super Bowl Bash will be held on Sunday, February 3, at Billy Goat Tavern on Madison Street. We hope that you are able to make it to this event. If you are unable to attend, we would appreciate your support by either purchasing a ticket to the event or by supporting the 50/50 cash raffle. Thank you to the Sianis family for their support of our fundraising efforts throughout the year.

If you have not yet had a chance, please remember to turn in your 2019 St. Basil stewardship commitment. The more stewards, the better it is financially for the future growth of our beloved parish.

Lastly, the new parish council was sworn in after liturgy on Sunday, January 13. Did you know that you do not need to be a parish council member to chair or assist with an event? Do you have any suggestions for parish fundraising and/or ministries? Let us know. Remember to keep up with St. Basil happenings on our Facebook page.

Kind regards, Christine A. Rousakis

Philoptochos Update

By Vana Kikos

February greetings to all our parishioners from Philoptochos! Happy Valentine's Day to you all and to those you love.

Our next meeting will be held here at St. Basil on Wednesday, February 13, at 6:50 p.m. Please join us.

Annual Philoptochos dues are due. \$40.00 for the calendar year 2019. Thanks in advance from our chapter.

Please see important update from Stella Kapetan, our Lakeview Pantry liaison:

Our food drive theme for February is breakfast. Please bring your donation to the church no later than Sunday, February 24. Suggested items are cold cereal, cereal/breakfast bars, shelf-stable juice, maple syrup. Thank for your support over the years of our food drives for Chicago's Lakeview Pantry. Their clients include the homeless, homebound, elderly, and those living with mental illness and physical disabilities. Because of you, our parish is one of their largest faith-based donors and the only one that gives year-round. We donate an average 548 pounds of food every year, which translates to 531 meals.

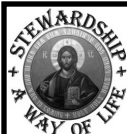
A big thank you to Stella for her amazing work with this wonderful and ongoing food drive. This is what Philoptochos is all about.

Sunday February 10, is our second annual Go Red Sunday. This is a very special day to raise awareness about women's heart health that's not to be missed!

The next Metropolis Presidents' meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist in Des Plaines on Saturday, February 16, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Our Metropolis liaison, Kathy Walstrom, and I will be there, and we'd be so happy to see you there as well.

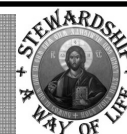
Always in His Service,

Vana Kikos, Philoptochos President



Stewardship Update

By Maria-Kanella Koper



Registration for 2019 has begun. You can sign-up at <http://www.stbasilchicago.org/our-parish/stewardship/> or pick-up a pamphlet at the pangari. We are looking forward to an exciting and prosperous year.

2019 Snapshot (as of January 25, 2019)

<u>Stewards</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Collected</u>
87	\$142,268	\$42,255

Goal: 125 Stewards by February 17, 2019

Save the Date! Tuesday February 12, 2019

Make Room for Truman

550 W. Touhy Ave.
Park Ridge, IL
7:00 p.m.

Join us as we discuss our church, our future, and your concerns in a fun environment with great food and fellowship. Don't live in the Park Ridge area? Not to worry. We will be coming to your area for more focus groups!

St. Basil's will be creating a photo directory of our members. Gather your family to take a lovely photograph. Lex Alexander will be available on the dates listed below to take family photographs:

February 10, 2019 & February 17, 2019

You can pick up your form and sign up in the church office. Pictures can be purchased on Lex Alexander's website.

Stewardship Appreciation Sunday on February 17, 2019

The Stewardship Ministry will prepare baked goods for you to enjoy with your fellow parishioners and to take home with you.

We love and appreciate you all.

We are still looking for new members to join the stewardship team who are interested in helping grow the engagement of parishioners and new members at St. Basil. Stewardship Ministry meetings will be listed in the weekly bulletin. Please join us, we'd love to have you! If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Maria-Kanella Koper at mariakkoper@gmail.com.

Have you become a steward of St. Basil's? Visit our website at www.stbasilchicago.org and click on "Our Parish" and "Stewardship" to learn more, or contact the church office at 312-243-3738 for additional information.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matt. 6:21)

Yiayia's Kouzina Update

By Cynthia Schroeder

Yiayia's Kouzina is looking for volunteers to help bake sweets in preparation for Easter. Baking will take place at St. Basil's Philoptochos Hall during the following times - please join us.

Wednesday, February 13, 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 23, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13, 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 9, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 13, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Pre-order forms will be available if you would like to place an order - all orders will need to be submitted by Sunday, March 31. Orders will be available for pick up on April 21.

Theophany—Blessing of the Chicago River

January 6, 2019



Someone You Should Know

Ioannis (Yianni) Fountas

Twenty-six-year-old Yianni Fountas is an impressive young man. He holds a doctorate in pharmacy (PharmD) from the University of Illinois at Chicago and works as a pharmacist at Jewel-Osco pharmacies around the city.

Despite the demands of his profession, Yianni generously gives his time and talents to the church. He is a well-known figure on the altar at Sunday liturgy, both as an epistle reader and as a senior altar server. He has been an altar server since age six and now trains the young altar boys, providing a positive role model for them and for other Orthodox Christian boys.

Yianni's most notable quality is his humility, which is a guiding principle in his life. He attributes his accomplishments in life not to himself, but to God. In his testimonial on Stewardship Sunday in November, he noted that, "I am proud of very few things in my life that extend beyond my loving family and my loving friends. But one of the joys in my life that makes me proudest is the privilege I have been given to call myself a Greek Orthodox Christian member of St. Basil's Church of Chicago. I will never be able to repay St. Basil for the blessings he and God have instilled upon my life."

Asked why he attends St. Basil rather than another church, he is quick to say that he would not want to be part of any other parish on this earth. He sees our church as a place of warmth, welcome, and love, calling it his home away from home. "St.

Basil," he says, "has love bursting out of its pews and through its doors every moment of every day, and this is what any church needs to be a true home of God."

The Fountas family lives in Wood Dale but has deep roots in St. Basil Church and a long history of service to the parish. They have been faithful stewards for three generations, spanning over 60 years. The stained-glass window of Sts. Damianos and Kosmas was donated by Yianni's grandparents, Zaharias and Efrosini Fountas. In keeping with tradition, Yianni's mom, Vicky (Vasiliki), bakes the prosforo for Sunday liturgy and makes vasilopites for parishioners every year for her name's day. Likewise, Greek is the language of the household, and Yianni values the Greek language in the liturgy.

In his spare time, Yianni is a big sports fan. He roots for all Chicago teams, but his favorite game is baseball, which he has played since he was a young boy. He and Ari Harris, the son of parishioners Art and Angie Harris, played in the Chicago Park District league at Horner Park on the North side. Coached by Art Harris, their team won the city championship in 2005. In addition to baseball, Yianni's hobbies are collecting baseball cards, watching movies, and, most enjoyably, spending time with family and friends.

As a long-time parishioner, Yianni has seen changes at St. Basil, most notably the influx of new faces. "We are a welcoming parish," he notes, "and that quality will help our parish grow in the years to come."



Prison Ministry

By Pat Cole

Prison Ministry Correspondence: Ministry by Mail

On January 13, Prison ministry volunteers sent New Year's greetings to prisoners whose families were served through the Angel Tree program at Christmas time. Sending greeting cards for the new year, Father's Day, and Pascha is part of our larger inmate correspondence program, in which parishioners write letters to inmates on a regular basis throughout the year.

The Prison Ministry is blessed to have not only St. Basil parishioners who correspond with inmates, but several people outside of our parish who also participate in this effort. We currently have letter writers from Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Palos Hills, Illinois; St. George Greek Orthodox Church in DeKalb, Illinois; Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Maitland, Florida; and a Ukrainian Orthodox priest and his wife from Our Lady of Kazan Holy Protectress of Russia Missionary Society in Chicago.

The ministry would like to find three more parishioners to write letters. If you can commit to writing one letter a month to an inmate, please contact Pat Cole at 773-252-8254, patriciastahl@comcast.net.



Parishioners worked together to send New Year's cards to more than 40 inmates.

Sunday School

By Jennifer Georgopoulos

The St. Basil Sunday School has been busy preparing for the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. The festival will take place on March 31, immediately following Divine Liturgy.

- + Grades K to 1 will present a song about the sign of the cross
- + Grades 2 to 3 will recite the Lord's Prayer
- + Grades 4 to 7 will select a topic to present to the parish

Our next family Sunday is April 7. Father will lead a discussion about the text. Please be sure to purchase the text *"Blueprints for the Little Church"* from the St. Basil bookstore located in the Philoptochos Hall. We look forward to seeing all the parents attend. A very special thanks to the teachers for their time and dedication.

If you have any questions regarding Sunday School, please contact Jennifer Georgopoulos at jenspalla75@sbcglobal.net



February 2, The Presentation of our Lord into the Temple



When the most pure Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary's forty days of purification had been fulfilled, she took her first-born Son to Jerusalem on this, the fortieth day after His birth, that she might present Him in the temple according to the Law of Moses, which teaches that every first-born male child be dedicated to God, and also that she might offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons, as required by the Law (Luke 2:22-24; Exod. 13:2; Lev. 12:6-8). On this same day, a just and devout man, the greatly aged Symeon, was also present in the temple, being guided by the Holy Spirit. For a long time, this man had been awaiting the salvation of God, and he had been informed by divine revelation that he would not die until he beheld the Lord's Christ. Thus, when he beheld Him at that time and took Him up into his aged arms, he gave glory to God, singing: "Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, O Master. . ." And he confessed that he would close his eyes joyfully, since he had seen the Light of revelation for the nations and the Glory of Israel (Luke 2:25-32). From ancient times, the Holy Church has retained this tradition of the churching of the

mother and newborn child on the fortieth day and of the reading of prayers of purification.

The Apodosis of the Feast of the Meeting in the Temple is usually on the 9th of February. This, however, may vary if the feast falls within the period of the Triodion. Should this occur, the Typicon should be consulted for specific information concerning the Apodosis of the Feast.

Apolytikion in the First Tone

Hail Virgin Theotokos full of Grace, for Christ our God, the Sun of Righteousness, has dawned from you, granting light to those in darkness. And you, O Righteous Elder, rejoice, taking in your arms, the Deliverance of our souls, who grants us Resurrection.

Kontakion in the First Tone

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

February 8, St. Theodore the Commander and Great Martyr



The holy Martyr Theodore was from Euchaita of Galatia and dwelt in Heraclea of Pontus. He was a renowned commander in the military, and the report came to the Emperor Licinius that he was a Christian and abominated the idols. Licinius therefore sent certain men to him from Nicomedia, to honor him and ask him to appear before him. Through them, however, Saint Theodore sent back a message that it was necessary for various reasons, that Licinius come to Heraclea. Licinius, seeing in this a hope of turning Saint Theodore away from Christ, did as was asked of him.

When the Emperor came to Heraclea, Saint Theodore met him with honor, and the Emperor in turn gave Theodore his hand, believing that through him he would be able to draw the Christians to the worship of his idols. Seated upon his throne in the midst of the people, he publicly bade Theodore offer sacrifice to the gods. But Theodore asked that the emperor entrust him with the most venerable of his gods, those of gold and silver, that he might take them home and himself attend upon them that evening, promising that the following day he would honor them in public. The Emperor, filled with joy at these tidings, gave command that Theodore's request be fulfilled.

When the Saint had taken the idols home, he broke them in pieces and distributed the gold and silver to the poor by night. The next day a centurion named Maxentius told Licinius that he had seen a pauper pass by carrying the head of Artemis. Saint Theodore, far from repenting of this, confessed Christ boldly. Licinius, in an uncontrollable fury, had the Saint put to many torments, then crucified. While upon the cross, the holy Martyr was further tormented -- his privy parts were cut off, he was shot with arrows, his eyes were put out, and he was left on the cross to die. The next day Licinius sent men to take his corpse and cast it into the sea; but they found the Saint alive and perfectly whole. Through this, many believed in Christ. Seeing his own men turning to Christ, and the city in an uproar, Licinius had Theodore beheaded, about the year 320.

The Saint's holy relics were returned to his ancestral home on June 8, which is also a feast of the Great Martyr Theodore.

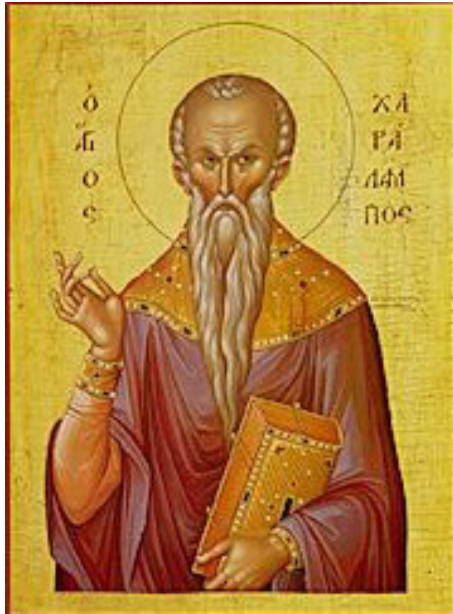
Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone

In truth enlisted with the King of the Heavens, thou didst become for Him a noble commander, O trophy-bearer and Great Martyr Theodore. With the weaponry of faith didst thou arm thyself wisely and didst utterly destroy all the hordes of the demons, as a triumphant athlete of the Lord; wherefore we ever do faithfully call thee blest.

Kontakion in the Second Tone

In courage of soul, and furnished with the arms of faith, thou tookest in hand the word of God as though a spear and didst put thy foe to flight, thou great boast of martyrs, O Theodore; now together with them, O Saint, cease not to entreat Christ our God for all of us.

February 10, St. Haralambos



This Saint was a priest of the Christians in Magnesia, the foremost city of Thessaly, in the diocese having the same name. He contested during the reign of Alexander Severus (222-235), when Lucian was Proconsul of Magnesia. At the time of his martyrdom the Saint was 103 years of age.

St. Haralambos is commemorated on February 10th, with the exception when this date falls on the Saturday of the Souls preceding Lent or on Clean Monday (the first day of Lent), in which case the feast is celebrated on February 9th.

Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone

O wise Haralambos, you were proven an unshakable pillar of the Church of Christ; an ever-shining lamp of the universe. You shone in the world by your martyrdom. You delivered us from the moonless night of idolatry O blessed one. Wherefore, boldly intercede to Christ that we may be saved.

Kontakion in the Fourth Tone

O Priest-martyr, athlete, champion Haralambos, your relics are a priceless treasure of the Church. Wherefore she rejoices, glorifying the Creator.

February 26, The Holy Great Martyr Photine, the Samaritan Woman



Saint Photine was the Samaritan Woman who encountered Christ our Saviour at Jacob's Well (John 4:1-42). Afterwards she laboured in the spread of the Gospel in various places, and finally received the crown of martyrdom in Rome with her two sons and five sisters, during the persecutions under the Emperor Nero.

Apolytikion in the Third Tone

All illumined by the Holy Spirit, thou didst drink with great and ardent longing of the waters Christ Saviour gave unto thee; and with the streams of salvation wast thou refreshed, which thou abundantly gavest to those athirst. O Great Martyr and true peer of Apostles, Photine, entreat Christ God to grant great mercy unto us.

Kontakion in the Third Tone

Photine the glorious, the crown and glory of the Martyrs, hath this day ascended to the shining mansions of Heaven, and she calleth all together to sing her praises, that they might be recompensed with her hallowed graces. Let us all with faith and longing extol her gladly in hymns of triumph and joy.

Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great



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Feed My Starving Children Ministry

By Stella Kapetan



Feed My Starving Children Meal Packing Event

Help save starving children in the world's poorest countries at our next Feed My Starving Children Meal Packing event.

FMSC is a Christian nonprofit that since 1987 has provided 2.3 billion meals specially formulated for malnourished children to their partners in more than 70 countries such as Uganda, El Salvador, and Haiti. They are used in orphanages, schools, clinics, and feeding programs to break the cycle of poverty.

The World Health Organization reports that 6,200 children die each day from hunger-related issues. But you can help. Each volunteer packs 216 meals per session. That means that the more than 100 St. Basil Church parishioners and friends who attended our four previous events have packed more than 24,000 meals.

This is a fun, easy event your family will enjoy — minimum age is only five years. Sit-down jobs are available.

Saturday, March 23, 2019

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Feed My Starving Children Packing Site (this is where we meet)

1072 National Pkwy, Schaumburg, IL

RSVP by Wednesday, February 6, to stbasilchicago@comcast.net or use the signup sheet in Philoptochos Hall. If you have questions, please call the church office at 312-243-3738.



Scholarship Opportunity

AHEPA's 13th District is offering scholarships to eligible students who are high school seniors, have a minimum four-year grade point average of B, and are either of Greek heritage or have a parent that is an active member of AHEPA. Deadline for submitting applications is March 15, 2019. Application forms and more information on how to apply are available at the AHEPA web page at www.ahepa.org. Follow the prompts to District 13, Application for Scholarship. Last year, AHEPA awarded 27 scholarships totaling \$41,000 to eligible students.

Saint John the Almsgiver Ministry

By Marina Arvanitis

If you or your family are interested in joining the St. John the Almsgiver Ministry efforts, you can do so by:

- + Distributing survival packs: Please take one to five packs from the table in the Philoptochos Hall, and sign out the packs on the sign-out sheet. We ask that you distribute them first to individuals who are closest to St. Basil, such as those near the 290 highway ramps, Ashland Avenue and Taylor Street, the CTA Pink and Blue line stations, etc.
- + Donating for future packs: For the winter months, through March, you can help by donating individually packaged toothbrushes (one toothbrush per package), or by giving a monetary donation to Vicky Crosby, who will mark them for the St. John the Almsgiver Ministry.

Winter Survival Pack Items	
Jewel gift card - \$10	Travel-sized toothpaste
CTA single-transit ticket	Comb
Winter item (hat or gloves or scarf)	Band-Aids
Hand and body warmers	Hand wipes ('Wet Ones' pocket-size singles)
White tube socks	Granola bars
Toothbrush	Bottle of water

Coffee Hour Ministry—Volunteers Needed for 2019

The Coffee Hour Ministry at St. Basil allows parishioners the opportunity to host coffee hour twice a month. It's a great way to get involved and promote fellowship at St. Basil while getting to know one another better.

We are looking for 2019 volunteers to either host a coffee hour or participate in hosting one of our potluck luncheons with a team of other parishioners. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office at 312-243-3738.



Sunday, February 3	Coffee Hour Ministry: Kat Lekkas, in memory of her mother Maria Lekkas
Sunday, February 10	Coffee Hour: Philoptochos
Sunday, February 17	Coffee Hour Ministry: Stewardship Ministry (Stewardship Appreciation)
Sunday, February 24	Coffee Hour: Philoptochos

St. Basil — 2019 Stewards

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Michael Angelakos
Stella Antonoglu
Marina Arvanitis & Ed Franklin

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Dr. Robert & Dr. Sophia Sarkos-Barnes
Tom & Leslie Bezanes
Dorothy Bezemes
John & Patoula Billiris
Matthew Bills
John & Dr. Christine Bishof
Nick & Angie Brinias

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Chris Christides
Stephan & Patricia Patsis-Cole
Pam Cosmos
Thomas Couston

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Anesti & Emily Dhima
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Martin & Elaine Fosse
Charles & Rosemary Fountas
Nicholas & Vicky Fountas
Zach & Kalliopi Fountas
Tony & Georgia Fragale
John Frangias
Themis Frangos
Tony & Helene Frankos

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy	28	29	30 6:30 am Divine Liturgy for the Three Hierarch 11:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Paraklesis (Supplication Service) to the Virgin Mary	31 Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	1	2 8:30 am Orthros & Divine Liturgy of the Presentation of the Lord into the Temple
3 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy 12:00 pm Sunday School - Role of the Priest inter-active lesson	4 7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting	5 7:00 pm Teacher meeting	6 11:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Paraklesis (Supplication Service) to the Virgin Mary	7 Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	8 6:30 am Orthros & Divine Liturgy for St. Theodore the Commander	9 7:00 pm Great Vespers of St. Haralambos 7:00 pm Great Vespers for St. Haralambos (at Niles parish)
10 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy	11 7:00 pm Divorce Rebuilders Group	12	13 11:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Paraklesis (Supplication Service) to the Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Philoptochos Meeting	14 Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri Valentine's Day	15	16
17 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy 2:00 pm + Wedding	18 7:00 pm Divorce Rebuilders Group	19 7:00 pm Sunday school meeting	20 11:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Paraklesis (Supplication Service) to the Virgin Mary	21 Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	22	23
24 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Philoptochos Making Sack Lunches for Lincoln Park Shelter after Divine Liturgy	25 7:00 pm Divorce Rebuilders Group	26 6:30 am Divine Liturgy for St. Photini	27 11:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Paraklesis (Supplication Service) to the Virgin Mary	28 Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri		

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St. Basil Super Bash

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SUPER BOWL

Sunday, February 3
4pm (Game begins 5:30pm)
Billy Goat Tavern (1545 W. Madison)

\$75/person

Includes food, beer, and well drinks
Games, Prizes, Squares and Raffle

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